

# STATE OF MICHIGAN JOCELYN BENSON, SECRETARY OF STATE DEPARTMENT OF STATE LANSING

### Meeting of the Board of State Canvassers

July 13, 2021

Called to order:

10:01 a.m.

Members present:

Norman Shinkle – Chairperson

Julie Matuzak – Vice Chairperson

Anthony Daunt

Members absent:

Jeannette Bradshaw

Agenda item:

Consideration of meeting minutes for approval (June 1, 2021).

**Board action on agenda item:** The Board approved the minutes of the June 1, 2021 meeting as amended. Moved by Matuzak; supported by Daunt. Ayes: Shinkle, Matuzak, Daunt. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Agenda item:

Consideration of the initiative petition sponsored by Unlock Michigan ("Unlock 1"), 2145 Commons Parkway, Okemos, Michigan 48864, pursuant to the Michigan Supreme Court's July 9, 2021 order in Unlock *Michigan v Board of State Canvassers*, Dkt. No. 162949.

**Board action on agenda item:** Pursuant to the July 9, 2021 order of the Michigan Supreme Court in Unlock Michigan v Board of State Canvassers, directing the Board to certify as sufficient the initiative petition filed by Unlock Michigan, the Board certified that the petition contains at least the minimum number of valid signatures required under Article II, Section 9 of the 1963 Michigan Constitution. Moved by Daunt; supported by Matuzak. Ayes: Shinkle, Matuzak, Daunt. Nays: None.

Motion carried.

Agenda item:

Consideration of the petition to recall Governor Gretchen Whitmer submitted by Chad Baase on June 25, 2021. The reasons for recall printed in the heading of the petition are as follows:

Governor Gretchen Whitmer has refused to join interstate compacts including the Drivers License Compact, Nurse License Compact, and Psychologist License Compact. **Board action on agenda item:** Two motions were offered. First, the Board moved to determine that the recall petition filed by Chad Baase on June 25, 2021 does not factually and clearly state each reason for the recall of Governor Whitmer because it is not factual in regard to joining interstate compacts. Moved by Matuzak. Motion failed for lack of support.

Second, the Board moved to determine that the recall petition filed by Chad Baase on June 25, 2021 factually and clearly states each reason for the recall of Governor Whitmer because the language is clear and factual. Moved by Daunt; supported by Shinkle. Ayes: Shinkle, Daunt. Nays: Matuzak. Motion failed.

#### Agenda item:

Consideration of the form of the petition and 100-word summary of the purpose of the initiative petition sponsored by Unlock Michigan ("Unlock 2"), 2145 Commons Parkway, Okemos, Michigan 48864.

**Board action on agenda item:** Two motions were offered. First, the Board approved the following as the summary of the petition's purpose, which was presented for the Board's approval by the Director of Elections during the meeting. Moved by Daunt; supported by Matuzak. Ayes: Shinkle, Matuzak, Daunt. Nays: None. Motion carried.

An initiation of legislation to amend Sections 2253 and 2453 of Public Health Code, Public Act 368 of 1978, MCL 333.2253 and MCL 333.2453. The current Act authorizes the director of the department of health and human services and local health officers to determine that control of an infectious disease outbreak is necessary to protect the public health and issue emergency orders. This proposal would require determinations be in writing and would make an emergency order expire after 28 days unless the state legislature or a local governing body extends it.

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Second, the Board approved the form of the initiative petition known as Unlock 2, sponsored by Unlock Michigan, with the understanding that the Board's approval does not extend to the substance of the proposal which appears on the petition or the manner in which the proposal language is affixed to the petition. Moved by Daunt; supported by Matuzak. Ayes: Shinkle, Matuzak, Daunt. Nays: None. Motion carried.

#### Agenda item:

Consideration of the sufficiency of the initiative petition sponsored by Fair and Equal Michigan, P.O. Box 10030, Lansing, Michigan 48901.

**Board action on agenda item:** The Board established the following deadlines for the sponsor and challenger to file all challenges, responses and rebuttal statements on or before July 16 at 5:00 pm, except the sponsor

was authorized to file its written response to alleged duplicate signatures by July 19 at 5:00 pm.

## Agenda item:

Such other and further business as may be properly presented to the

Board.

**Board action on agenda item:** Testimony from State Senator Ed McBroom regarding the Senate Oversight Committee's *Report on the November 2020 Election in Michigan*.

Adjourned:

12:42 p.m.

26, 2021

Chair Shinkle

Vice-Chair Matuzak

Member Bradshaw

Member Daunt

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